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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :
TETSUYA YOSHIKAWA : EXAMINER: HUSBAND, SARAH E.
SERIAL NO: 10/688,889 :
FILED: OCTOBER 21, 2003 : GROUP ART UNIT: 1746
FOR: HIGH PRESSURE PROCESSING :
METHOD AND APPARATUS

ELECTION RESPONSE

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the election of species requirement of March 29, 2007, Applicant hereby elects species A of Figs. 3 and 4. Claims 11-13 correspond to this species.

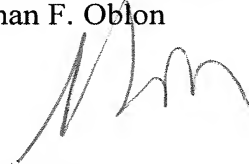
This election is being made with traverse. Any proper search for the elected species will also necessarily require a search through the appropriate classes and subclasses for the other species. It would therefore not constitute a significant additional burden on the Office for the examiner to examine all of the species in the present application, and so the election of species requirement is believed to be unjustified.

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Favorable and timely consideration of the elected species is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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